

CIVILIAN POLICE REVIEW BOARD OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

December 10, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER – 10:06

II. ROLL CALL

Michael Graham, Chairperson

Chairperson Graham

CPRB MEMBERS

ATTENDANCE

Michael Graham, Chair
Ken Mountcastle
Michael Hess
Ernest Turner
Dave Gatian
March Clark
Roz Quarto – excused absence
Ashley Mostella – excused absence
Gerri Butler, Staff Counsel

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

LeeAnn Hanlon, Secretary

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

V. SUBPOENA

VII.

XI.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE DIMISSAL APPEAL

VIII. HILLARD HEINTZE CASES

IX. HILLARD HEINTZE FINDINGS LETTERS

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

PRESENTATION OF INVESTIGATIONS

A. REVIEW OF CDP DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS

XII. POLICY UPDATES

OPS REPORT

XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

XIV. NEW BUSINESS

XV. ADJOURNMENT

<u>OPS STAFF</u>

ATTENDANCE

Roger Smith, Administrator George Coulter, General Manager Henry Roney, Senior Investigator Spyridon Kodellas, Research Analyst Art Bowker, Investigator Kevin Wynne, Investigator Barbara Williams-Bennett, Investigator Anitra Merritt, Investigator David Hammons, Investigator Eric Richardson, Investigator Julie Delaney, Investigator Anitra Merritt, Investigator

Roger Smith, Administrator

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III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hess made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. Turner and passed.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Graham reminded everyone of the three (3) minute time limit.

Dave Lima, SURJ -

I've commented previously about the components of an effective police oversight system (Independence, Authority and Funding) that is both respected by the police department and trusted by the community. Last month I focused on two authority measures that could be employed within the system to enhance its effectiveness. Today I want to focus on independence.

The most critical component of an independent review board is in the selection of its memberships. The legitimacy of the board is enhanced when a majority of the board is nominated by civic organizations that have an interest in the safety of the city and in the civil rights of community members. The selection of a minority of the board would remain with the mayor and the council. Changing the selection process would help to ensure the independence of the board.

Nominees to the board should have expertise in a relevant field in order to be appointed, such as a legal, civil rights, or law enforcement background. The nominees should have a demonstrated commitment to the well-being of the city where they live and a strong understanding of the importance of upholding civil rights and civil liberties in policing. They should also believe in a police department that operates in a transparent and accountable manner. No member of the board should be a current or former employee of the police department that the board oversees, and a majority of the board members should not have a law enforcement background.

Building an effective civilian review board is no easy task. It requires a groundswell of community support. It also helps to have a willing mayor, city council, and police chief. And it takes money and time to get it right. Selecting a majority of board members from civic organizations would be a step in the right direction, a step toward getting it right.



VII. PRESENTATION OF INVESTIGATIONS

a. 18-188: Henigham

P.O. Rice #1886

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Gatian Second: Graham *Motion passes*

P.O. Lewis #2054

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Gatian Second: Graham *Motion passes*

Sgt. Hayes #9188

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Gatian Second: Graham *Motion passes*

b. 19-063: Logan

P.O. Kern #1612

Allegation: Excessive Force Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*



P.O. Glass #332

Allegation: Excessive Force Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*

c. 19-069: Quintana

P.O. McLaughlin #1394

Allegation: Improper Procedure Recommendation: Unfounded

Motion: Gatian Second: Turner *Motion passes*

P.O. New #667

Allegation: Improper Procedure Recommendation: Unfounded

Motion: Gatian Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

d. 19-088: Manley

Det. White #1830

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Unfounded

Motion: Graham Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: Unfounded

Motion: Graham Second: Clark *Motion passes*



e. 19-126: Ortiz

Lt. Strong #8528

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham Second: Mountcastle *Motion passes*

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: Unfounded

Motion: Graham Second: Hess *Motion passes*

f. 19-135: Clemons

Sgt. Treece #9218

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Unfounded

Motion: Graham Second: Hess *Motion passes*

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Clark *Motion passes*

g. 19-136: Logan

P.O. Randolph #2372

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham Second: Turner *Motion passes*



P.O. Kiesner #1620

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham Second: Clark *Motion passes*

h. 19-155 Korecky

Det. Orr #2320

Allegation: Lack of Service

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Turner *Motion passes*

i. 19-178: Torres

P.O. Zak #1046

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham Second: Clark *Motion passes*



- VI. HILLARD HEINTZE CASES Mr. Graham makes a motion that the recommendations of the HH Cases be accepted by the Board, with the modification that all recommendations be changed to INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE. Motion seconded by Mr. Gatian, motion passes. The Board accepted the modified HH recommendations for the following cases:
 - 16-069: Keyes
 - 16-170: Nichols
 - 16-205: Ogletree
 - 17-112: Melson
 - 17-120: Pringle
 - 17-121: Bryant
 - 17-123: Gibson
 - 17-127: Ector
 - 17-134: Ingram
 - 17-142: Williams-Dorsey
 - 17-150: Lathon
 - 17-158: Hayes
 - 17-161: Mumphrey
 - 17-186: Robinson
 - 17-188: Goon
 - 17-192: Dayem
 - 17-195: Griffin
 - 17-196: Koren
 - 17-198: Ventresca
 - 17-202: Board
 - 17-208: Henry
 - 17-231: Okpala



VII. HILLARD HEINTZE FINDINGS LETTERS

a. 16-193: Mitchell

Det. Adams #12

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct

Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham Second: Turner *Motion passes*

b. 17-062: Campbell

P.O. Hejny #647

Allegation: WCS Violation

Recommendation: Administratively Closed

Motion: Graham Second: Hess *Motion passes*

c. 17-066: Graves

P.O. Daugenti #1736

Allegation: Harassment

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*

Allegation: Improper Citation

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*



P.O. Harrigan #1085

Allegation: Harassment

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*

Allegation: Improper Citation

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct

Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes with one opposed

d. 17-071: Thaker

P.O. Barnett #2119

Allegation: Illegal Parking Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham Second: Clark

Motion passes with two opposed

e. 17-089: Reid

P.O. Tomaro #624

Allegation: Improper Arrest

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*



Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct

Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham Second: Clark *Motion passes*

f. 17-096: Crain

Det. Howard #2205

Allegation: Lack of Service

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*

g. 17-103: Muniz

P.O. Majid #777

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian

Motion passes with one opposed

h. 17-128: Brevdigam

P.O. Webb #2064

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Gatian Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes



P.O. Valencic #2091

Allegation: Lack of Service Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Gatian Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

i. 17-162: Barnes

P.O. Jagoe #509

Allegation: Lack of Service

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

j. 17-172: Meade

P.O. Boddy #1095

Allegation: Lack of Service

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes

P.O. Mariani #1614

Allegation: Lack of Service

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes



k. 17-194: Pursel

P.O. Rodes #2126

Allegation: Unprofessional Conduct

Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian *Motion passes*

I. 17-209: Burrage

P.O. Hourihan #250

Allegation: Improper Citation

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Clark

Motion passes with one abstention

Allegation: Improper Arrest Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham Second: Clark

Motion passes with one opposed and one abstention

Allegation: Improper Search Recommendation: Sustained

Motion: Graham Second: Mountcastle

Motion passes with one abstention

P.O. Pollack #769

Allegation: Improper Citation

Recommendation: Insufficient Evidence

Motion: Graham Second: Clark

Motion passes with one abstention

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Allegation: Improper Arrest Recommendation: Exonerated

Motion: Graham Second: Clark

Motion passes with one opposed and one abstention

Allegation: Improper Search Recommendation: Unfounded

Motion: Graham Second: Gatian

Motion passes with one abstention

IX (A). REVIEW OF CDP DECISIONS

15-028: Lopez CPRB accepted the decision of Chief Williams

15-180: Brown CPRB disagreed with Chief Williams' decision and moved to

appeal this decision with Safety Director McGrath.

17-065: Kavouras CPRB accepted the decision of Chief Williams

17-070: Rubesne CPRB accepted the decision of Chief Williams

17-083: Chubbs CPRB accepted the decision of Chief Williams

18-126: Rhoades CPRB accepted the decision of Chief Williams

18-142: DeFrank-Jenne CPRB accepted the decision of Chief Williams.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 13:01 hours.